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# EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

St. Stephen's Church, Lexington, S. C., October 22, 1885.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina convened in St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, Lexington C. H., S. C., October 22, 1885, and began the exercises of its Sixty-First Annual Session.

#### FIRST SESSION.

The Synod was opened by the President, Rev. J. Steck, D. D., at 10 A. M.

The Roll of Ministers was called, the Lay Delegates presented their credentials and their names were placed upon the Roll.

### Roll of Synod.

MINISTERS.	WHEN ORDAINED.	POST OFFICE.
Rev. J. H. Honour, D. D*	<sup>‡</sup> 1834	.Charleston, S. C.
Rev. Edwin Abiel Bolles*	1835	Columbia, S. C.
Rev. C. F. Bansemer, D. I	D*1842	Jacksonville, Fla.
Rev. L. Muller, D. D†	1842	.Charleston, S. C.
Rev. J. H. Baily	1846	.Lexington, S. C.
Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D*	1848	Walhalla, S. C.
Rev. J. F. Probst*	1851	Gettysburg, Pa.

Rev. J. Steck, D. D	1853	Dallas, N. C.
Rev. B. F. Berry†		
Rev. A. W. Lindler		
Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D		
Rev. J. C. Brodfuehrer		
Rev. B. Kreps		
Rev. J. Heckel*		
Rev. J. D. Bowles*		
Rev. J. A. Sligh		
Rev. G. W. Holland, Ph. D		
Rev. D. Kyser		
Rev. S. T. Hallman		
Rev. C. P. Boozer		
Rev. E. T. Horn*,	1872	Charleston, S. C.
Rev. J. F. Kiser	1873	Hampton, S. C
Rev. S. S. Rahn		-
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh	1874	Newberry, S. C.
Rev. E. A. Wingard	1875	Ehrhardt's, S. C.
Rev. L. E. Busby	1878	Leesville, S. C.
Rev. L. K. Probst	1879	Charleston, S. C.
Rev. J. H. Wilson	1880	Haigler's, S. C.
Rev. J. Q. Wertz	,1881,	Newberry, S. C.
Rev. A. B. McMackin	1881	Newberry, S. C.
Rev. J. E. Bushnell	1882	Prosperity, S. C.
Rev. M. O. J. Kreps	1883	Fort Motte, S. C.
Rev. A. J. Bowers		
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Rev. Prof. A. G. Voigt	1883	Newberry, S. C.
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Jno. Ogren		Orangeburg, S. C.
J. B. O'Neall Holloway, Esq		
C. P. Harward		Spring Hill, S. C.
J. W. Bowers		Prosperity, S. C.
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Simeon Corley	Lexington, S. C.
J. J. Copeland	Ehrhardt's, S. C.
Wm. B. Aull	Newberry, S. C.
Emanuel Hallman	Blackville, S. C.
T. J. Hunter	Prosperity, S. C.
Geo. P. Griffin	
Henry Hogrefe	Augusta, Ga.
J. L. Fellers	
J. F. Shealy	Réeder's Store, S. C.
L. L. Lown	
J. D. Cappelmann, Esq	
N. B. Wheeler	Prosperity, S. C.
N. D. Bodie	Ridge Spring, S. C.
F. W. Pieper (Absent)	Walhalla, S. C.
R. G. Chisolm	Charleston, S. C.
Dr. D. L. Boozer	Columbia, S. C.
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Maj. P. E. Wise	Prosperity, S. C.

The President, Rev. J. Steck, D. D., read his report, which was received and referred to the proper committee.

# President's Report.

#### FATHERS AND BRETHREN:

Through a merciful Providence we have been brought to the close of another Synodical year. During its course, amid varied trials, which, in many cases, have been peculiar in their severity, we have been spared to labor, with whatever of ability the Master has given us in his vineyard. Although the Church and her institutions of learning have suffered much from business depression and financial embarrassment, consequent upon two successive failures of the seasons to yield their accustomed fruits, we come together at this time, as we humbly believe, on the eve of returning spiritual, as well as secular prosperity. Darkness and light, evil and good, are traceable alike to the hand of the infinite Father "who worketh all in all," and whose dealings with his children are often so involved in mystery, that, in their attempts to solve them, all they can say is. "Even so, Father, for so it seems good in thy sight." In view of the manifest favor of God in all past experiences, and for our encouragement in those yet future, we

may very appropriately, at this time and place, set up in our hearts a memorial unto the Lord, and "call the name of it Ebenezer, saying hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

Devoutly recognizing the goodness of the Lord in all the past, let us here, and now, say, "Bless the Lord O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord O my soul, and forget not all his benefits; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies,"

With such recognitions of Him who is "our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble," let us enter upon the duties of this, the Sixty-First Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Synod. Then will its deliberations be conducted in the loving "unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace," and God will bless us, and make us a blessing.

Since our last meeting, certain official duties have devolved upon me, a statement of which I will now give.

I have been notified of the following

#### PASTORAL CHANGES.

March 3d, by Rev. J. F. Probst, that, on account of ill health, he had resigned the Walhalla charge; March 18th, by Rev. B. Kreps, that he had accepted a call to the Nazareth Church which he was serving in addition to his regular charge; April 27th, by Rev, E. A. Wingard, that he had taken charge of the Barnwell Pastorate on the 1st of December, 1884; May 15th, by Rev. M. O. J. Kreps, that he had resigned the Lexington pastorate, the resignation to take effect after Synod; June 22d, by Rev. J. C. Brodfuehrer of the S. W. Va. Synod, that he had taken charge at Walhalla; August 14th, by Rev. J. S. Moser, that, owing to ill health he had resigned pastorate No. 9, the resignation to take effect Oct. 1st, and the balance of service due the charge to be rendered by Rev J. H. Summitt, then serving as supply; Aug. 24th, by Rev. A. B. McMackin of the Iowa Synod, that he had accepted a call to Luther Chapel, Newberry, which I resigned in January; September 18th, by Rev. S. S. Rahn, that he had resigned the Augusta Mission, and accepted a call to the Lexington pastorate to take effect November 1st; September 26th, by Rev. J. Q. Wertz, that he had resigned the Pine Grove charge; October 5th, by Rev. M. O. J. Kreps, that he had accepted a call to the Pine Grove charge, to take effect November 1st; October 9th, by Rev. J. D. Bowles, that he would serve Macedonia Church next year in connection with pastorate No. 7; October 12th, by Rev. J. F. Kiser, that he had resigned the Orangeburg Church September 10th.

#### NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED.

Rev. J. C. Bradfuehrer, regularly dismissed from the S. W. Va. Synod, is efficiently serving the Church at Walhalla besides filling the chair of languages in Adger College. Rev. A. B. McMackin, regularly dismissed from the Synod of Iowa, is laboring with much acceptance and the prospect of great success in Luther Chapel congregation, at Newberry.

Rev. A. G. Voigt, recently elected to a professorship in Newberry College, and regularly dismissed from the synod of Pennsylvania and adjacent States, is now located in Newberry, and giving marked evidences of admirable fitness for the position to which he has been elected. By the presentation of their certificates of dismissal to the President of Synod, these brethren are recognized as members of this body, and entitled to all its privileges.

#### DISMISSED FROM SYNOD.

On the 18th of August, at the request of Rev, J. S. Moser, I granted him a letter of honorable dismissal to the Synod of Virginia, in whose bounds he had received a call to become Pastor.

#### INSTALLATION

At the request of the Lutheran Church of Columbia, I appointed Rev. E. A. Wingard with Rev. E. A. Bolles, to instal their Pastor, Rev. A. J. Bowers, at such time as would be mutually convenient. The duty was attended to on Whit-Sunday, May 24th, Brother Wingard preaching the sermon, and Brother Bolles conducting the installation service.

#### CHURCH DEDICATION.

St. Mathew's Lutheran Church, (Brother Z. W. Bedenbaugh's charge) destroyed by a cyclone in the spring of 1884, has been rebuilt and dedicated without debt, with a small surplus of money for other improvements. The dedication service was held May 17th, 1885, Rev. J. D. Shirey preaching the sermon. The building is a credit to the community, and to the zeal of the Pastor, through whose persistent and untiring energy in procuring means, the work was so successfully prosecuted.

#### VACANT CHARGES.

The resignation of Brother Rahn, our missionary at Augusta, has left the Augusta mission without a Pastor. The congregation at Graniteville served by Brother Rahn, in connection with Augusta, is also vacant.

Pastorate No. 9, from last accounts, is still without a Pastor. The same is true of Early Branch and Orangeburg.

#### AUGUSTA MISSION LOT.

At the last meeting of Synod the President was authorized, in its name, to secure a title, in fee simple absolute, to the lot in Augusta, purchased for a church, on which D. C. Stelling held a title bond, from W. B. Jopling, the vendor, the said D. C. Stelling acting for Synod, and loaning Synod \$700, to complete first payment of \$1,100. By referring to the action of Synod on pages 84 and 89 of printed minutes, it will be seen that I was, first of all, to satisfy myself that the title to the lot was clear and unencumbered," and then accept the aforementioned title, paying from funds designated, the \$700 due D. C. Stelling. Upon my first visit to Augusta, I could obtain no satisfactory evidence of the title being entirely free from encumbrance, and hence, with the advice of my attorney, J. D. Cappelmann, Esq.,

I returned the \$700 to the treasury of Synod. I then called a meeting of the Executive Committee, stated the difficulty, and D. B. Wheeler was appointed to visit Augusta, and look further after the matter of title, and if satisfied of its validity, pay over the money to D. C. Stelling, taking up Synod's note. This he did by his attorney, G. G. Sale, Esq., who had verbal assurances of a very reliable character, that the title was safely marketable. After much correspondence in which I was greatly aided by J. D. Cappelmann, I obtained, through the courtesy and gratuitous labor of W. I. Garv, Esq., of Augusta, a full abstract of title, which he pronounced free from any cloud. The matter of a clear and unencumbered title being finally set. tled, I next found an unwillingness on the part of Mr, Jopling to transfer the title to Synod. He declined to do so in writing. Thus, part of the duties imposed by Synod upon the President, were found impracticable, The only remedy left me was to take a title bond from D. C. Stelling to Synod, which he cheerfully gave, and which I placed on record in the Clerk's office in Augusta. Failing to obtain a title in fee simple absolute for the Synod, I could give no mortgage upon the lot upon which to borrow money from the Treasurer of the Bachman Endowment Fund, as I was authorized to do.

On account of these untoward developments, together with other circumstances which will be recited in the Report of the Executive Committee on Missions, other matters which the President was authorized to do will devolve upon my successor.

In order to meet the second payment on lot, I was directed by the Executive Committee to issue a pastoral to the churches, urging the Pastors to take up a special collection for this object in May. The circular was accordingly sent out, but the responses were not liberal, and consequently, when the second payment became due in July, the committee was forced to borrow most of the money on the credit of Synod.

One of the duties of the present synodical meeting, of gravest importance, will be to provide means to refund this borrowed money, and to pay in July 1886, the 3d and final obligation of \$1,100.00 with two years accrued interest. Another duty in connection with this mission work at Augusta should be the taking of steps to secure a suitable missionary.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

I received a letter dated Sept. 21st, from Bro. H. W. Jeffcoat, of Black-ville, in behalf of Orange Chapel Lutheran Church, asking advice about calling a minister, and whether it would be proper to call one from the Tennessee Synod. To this last inquiry, I replied in the affirmative, stating however, that the custom was for a minister, after accepting a call to a charge outside of his own Synod, to join the Synod to which the Church belongs.

Several friendly communications have recently passed between Rev. C. H. Bernheim, President of the Tennessee Synod, and myself, as President of the South Carolina Synod, the correspondence having been begun by

Bro. Bernheim. Its object has been to renew efforts made in the past to effect a settlement of the difficulty in St. John's Church, outside of the civil tribunal, to which appeal has been made. Bro. Bernheim first proposed the writing of a joint letter to the litigants, but after consultation with brethren acquainted with the trouble, I proposed that we offer our joint services at reconciliation, by meeting the parties at St. John's Church. No time suiting us both having been agreed upon, the meeting, to my regret, has not taken place. Having consulted with attorneys on both sides, and corresponded with the Referee, I have found a willingness and desire on the part of all, to have the matter settled by gospel measures outside of the civil Courts. I recommend therefore, in view of the early meeting of the Tennessee Synod, near this place, that Synod appoint a committee to act jointly with a corresponding committee from the Tennessee Synod, in one early and final effort at a reconciliation on the principles of Christianity, which the contestants themselves profess.

#### THE DIET,

A short time after the last meeting of Synod a Diet was held in Salisberry, N. C., composed of delegates and visitors from all, or nearly all, Southern Synods of the Lutheran Church. Other Synods have expressed themselves upon the proceedings of the Diet, and it becomes our duty at this meeting, to adopt suitable action in relation to it. I submit a copy of the proceedings of the Diet, together with printed resolutions furnished Synod and suggesting a line of action, and recommend that a committee be appointed to frame from these documents, such resolutions as will express the true convictions of the Synod, and tend to unite our Southern Churches, and further the spirit of union, so noticeable and so marked, in other sections of our great and growing Zion.

#### REPORT OF CHAPLAIN, REV. E. A. BOLLES.

I transmit to Synod a very interesting report from our venerable and beloved Rev. E. A. Bolles, Chaplain South Carolina Insane Asylum, at Columbia, and recommend that it be printed in our minutes, and also, that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions expressive of our sympathy for, and appreciation of, the Christ-like labors of this servant of God and the Church, whose half century of unblemished life and faithful services as a member of the South Carolina Synod, entitle him to such recognition

#### OTHER DUTIES OF THE PRESENT MEETING.

By reference to the printed Minutes of 1884, page 50, it will be seen that the duty has been imposed upon Synod, at this meeting, to elect a Professor of Theology in Newberry College. As the term of office for six members of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College expires at this time, their places must be filled by a new election. Delegates to the General Synod, to be held in Roanoke City, Va., must also be elected.

On the 16th of Sept., 1885, I received notice from Maj. G. Leaphart, Treasurer of the Bachman Endowment Fund, that he would ask to be relieved from his office at this session of Synod. I replied, urging Bro. Leaphart to reconsider his purpose, as his services, gratuitously rendered, had been so faithful and satisfactory to Synod,

Understanding that Hon. G. W. Dingle, Treasurer of the Theological Fund, wished relief from his office also, I addressed him an earnest letter, expressing my high appreciation of his admirable management of his trust, and the hope that he would consent to serve the Church still further, in a capacity for which he had shown so much fitness, and in which he had rendered such general satisfaction. His reply, which, with the letter of Maj. Leaphart, I transmit to Syrod, almost forbids the hope that he will consent to further service. If neither of these brethren can be prevailed upon to accept the trusts respectively confided to them heretofore, it will devolve on Synod, at the present meeting, to elect others in their stead.

#### RETROSPECT.

In looking over the work of the year just closed, two features appear conspicuous:

1st. Many pastoral changes.

2d. Limited success in Church enterprise.

For both these evils there is a cause, and it is a common one-inadequate support. Pastors salaries in all the rural districts are too small, and in most of them, paid with too little promptitude. This has led to the necessity of other work in connection with the pastoral office, and this other work, whether in the school-room or on the farm, or in the agency, has taken up time from pastoral work, or preparation for the pulpit, and the Church, as a consequence, has suffered in her spiritual interests. The condition of the Augusta Mission to-day is the result, almost wholly of the inadequate support of our late missionary, and the fault is largely our own. giving the missionary no appropriation for pastoral services, and expecting the mission in a city to do the unheard of thing of building a chapel, and supporting its pastor, unaided, except in the purchase of a Church lot. A remedy for inadequate support in the rural districts is probably in reach of the pastors themselves, and that is, more preaching. "Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God." One sermon in three or four weeks is not enough to build up any people, and one sermon, for the pulpit labor of a week, is not enough preaching for an able bodied pastor. If those pastors who have three or four congregations will preach twice each Sunday, instead of once, there can be no doubt of the beneficial results directly upon the people, and indirectly, upon their own support and upon the benevolent operations of the Church. As a partial remedy for the evil alluded to, I recommend that each pastor, during the coming year, preach a sermon on the subject of ministerial support. I recommend further, that two additional columns be appended to the table of Parochial Reports, the one column to state the amount of salary promised, and the other, the amount paid during the year.

#### NEWBERRY COLLEGE.

As the boards, having the supervision of Newberry College and Theological Department, will make their reports and suggestions, I do not deem it neccessary to lengthen my report by adding anything on this subject.

Thanking you, dear brethren and fathers, for the confidence expressed a year ago, in my election as the presiding officer of the Synod, so venerable in years, and distinguished in names and history, I now return to you the trust, with the intelligence of my inability, on account of other duties, to serve again in this honorable and very responsible capacity. May the blessing of the triune God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, rest upon our deliberations, making its presence manifest in supreme love to God, and that love to each other, that each bears to himself.

J. STECK, PRESIDENT.

# Officers of Synod.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President—Rev. E. A. WINGARD. Vice-President—Rev. J. A. SLIGH. Secretary—Rev. S. T. HALLMAN.

The order of daily sessions was fixed at from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M., and from 3 to 5 P. M. Divine services at 7½ P. M. The Synodical Sermon to be preached to-night by the re-

tiring President, Rev. J. Steck, D. D.

Synod took a recess to enable the President to appoint the usual committees.

Synod was called to order, and the following brethren were invited to participate in our deliberations as advisory members: Rev. Wm. Stoudenmire of the North Carolina Synod, Rev. D. A. Sox of the Tennessee Synod, and Messrs. S. T. Riser and M. M. Kinard, Theological Students.

The President appointed the following committees:

### Standing Committees.

- 1. President's Report.—Revs. J. Hawkins, D. D., S. S. Rahn, J. C. Brodfuehrer and Mr. W. W. Houseal.
- 2. Minutes of last Synod.—Revs. J. Q. Wertz, Z. W. Bedenbaugh and Mr. J. J. Copeland.
- 3. Letters and Excuses.—Revs. Z. W. Bedenbaugh, D. Kyser and Mr. N. D. Bodie.

- 4. State of Religion.—Revs, J. Steck, D. D., J. F. Kiser, A. B. McMackin and Mr. S. Corley.
  - 5. Treasurer's Report.—J. D. Cappelmann, Esq., and Mr. S. Corley.
- 6. Seminary Fund.—R. G. Chisolm, N. B. Wheeler and Rev. L. K. Probst.
  - 7. Bachman Endowment Fund.—Maj. P. E. Wise and J. J. Copeland.
- 8. Pastoral Districts.—Revs. L. K. Probst, G. W. Holland and L. E. Busby.
- 9. Appropriations.—Revs. J. A. Sligh, J. H. Wilson and Mr. J. W. Bowers.
- 10, Apportionments.—Revs. J. E. Bushnell, J. Q. Wertz and Mr. Emanuel Hallman.
- 11. Reports of Conferences,—Revs. M. O. J. Kreps, J. D. Bowles and Mr. Wm. B. Aull.

The report of Maj. P. E. Wise, Treasurer of Synod, was received and placed in the hands of a committee,

## Report of Treasurer of Synod.

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G. W. DINGLE, TREASURER.

CHARLESTON, S. C., October 20, 1885.

ASSETS OF THE LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.

S. C. Consols 6 per cent	\$14,500 00
City Atlanta 8 per cent. bond	1,000 00
N. E. R. R. first mortgage bonds 8 per cent	1,500 00
City Charleston 4 per cent bonds	1,700 00
City Charleston 7 per cent. bond	100 00
Bond of W. K. Bachman	2.700 00
In all twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars	21,500 00

[Also two shares of Union Bank in liquidation.]

G. W. DINGLE, Treasurer.

October 29th, 1885,

CHARLESTON, S. C., Cctober 20, 1885.

I certify that Mr. G. W. Dingle to-day showed to me all the above securities, the property of the Seminary Fund.

EDWARD T, HORN.

The following was adopted:

Resolved. That the matter of paying money for missionary purposes be referred to a committee for report at an early hour.

Committee—Revs. J. Hawkins, D. D. and J. Steck, D. D.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. L. K. Probst.

#### SECOND SESSION.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1885, 3 P. M.

Synod opened with prayer by Rev. J. E. Bushnell.

On motion it was

Resolved, That John D Cappelmann, Esq., be requested to report proceedings of Synod for News and Courier, and Mr. S. T. Riser for the Columbia Register,

Parochial Reports and reports on the religious state of the churches were called for and read.

On motion, the following committee was appointed to draft resolutions expressive of our sympathy with Capt. G. S.

Hacker and Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D. in their recent and heavy afflictions: Rev. J. H. Wilson and Rev. J. Steck, D. D.

The report of committee on conferences, laid over at last Synod, was called up and re-committed.

Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. S. S. Rahn.

Synodical sermon at night by Rev. J. Steck, D. D., from Romans VIII: 31.

#### THIRD SESSION.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1885, 9 A. M.

Synod opened with prayer by Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The committee on Bachman Endowment Fund reported. Report adopted.

#### Committee on Bachman Endowment.

Your committee, appointed to examine the report of Endowment Treasurer, have examined the same and find it correct with proper vouchers for moneys paid out.

Respectfully submitted.

P. E. WISE, J. D CAPPELMANN,

The committee on Minutes of last Synod reported. Report considered by items and adopted.

### Report of Committee on Minutes of Synod.

Your Committee report as follows:

P.14. President recommends in his report the completion of the work of revising the Constitution, and calls attention to the resolutions before adopted with reference to re-arrangement of Pastorates, and the regular organization of Conferences. Have these recommendations been complied with? A. Only in part.

P, 16. It is here noticed that the first annual installment on the Synod's note, given to W. A. Cline, would fall due on April 1st. 1885. Has this payment been made? A, Yes.

P. 27. A resolution was passed that the Treasurer of Seminary Fund be authorized to pay for salaries of the Professors of College at the rate of \$1,200 per year during the period of the provisional arrangement for instruction in theology. Has the Treasurer made such payment? A. Yes.

P. 31. A Committee was appointed to draft and execute new Treasurer's bonds. Has this been attended to? A. Yes.

P. 34. Have the recommendations of the Committee on Endowment Treasurer with reference to the investment of \$800, and the examination of the twenty-one other bonds, been complied with? A. In part.

P. 42. Have the conferences sent up reports to the Synod as requested

by the Committee on conferences? A. In part.

P. 45. Have the churches increased their Synodical apportionments by 25 per cent. as reccommended by the Committee on Apportionments at the last meeting of Synod? A. In part

P. 46. Has the President of Synod ascertained from the Secretary of the Board of Missions of the General Synod South what is our proportionate share of Brother Swartz's salary, and has such proportionate amount been paid? A. Information obtained and amount paid in part.

P. 46. Resolved. That the contributions of our people for Foreign Missions be sent to the Treasurer of Synod as soon as collected. Have these

contributions been so forwarded? A. In part,

P. 51. Have the committees appointed to approve new Treasurer's bonds attended to their respective duties? A. Attended to as to bond of Treasurer of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. WERTZ. Z. W. BEDENBAUGH, J. J. COPELAND,

The delegates appointed to attend the Lutheran Diet, held in Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 12-13, 1884, made their report, which was received and considered by items. After some discussion the further consideration of the report was postponed until the afternoon session.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary of the South was presented, received and referred to a special committee.

Committee.—Revs. J. H. Wilson, Prof. G. W. Holland and Mr. W. W. Houseal.

Report of Treasurer of Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society was received and referred to a committee appointed to define the manner of paying money for missionary purposes.

The President of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College made his report. Report received and made the special order for 10 A. M. to-morrow.

Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. C. P. Boozer.

#### FOURTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1885, 3 P. M.

Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. D. M. Martens of the Pennsylvania Ministerium, who, on motion, was received as an advisory member.

The report of delegates to the Diet was taken up and, after thorough discussion, adopted.

# Report of Delegates to Diet at Salisbury, N. C., November 12-13, 1884.

Your committee, consisting of Revs. E. T. Horn, J. Hawkins and Mr. A. H. Kohn, attended the Diet, and submit the following report; The Diet, representing all the Synods of our General Synod, except the Mississippi Synod, which sent a letter signifying the earnest desire of that body for the union contemplated, and the Tennessee and Holston Synods met and unanimously adopted a Doctrinal Basis and Constitution, which, together with the Minutes of the Diet, are herewith submitted.

Your delegates respectfully recommend the adoption by this Synod of the following resolutions;

- 1. That we cordially approve the proposed Basis and constitution adopted by the Diet at Salisbury as presenting a basis upon which we can co-operate with our other Lutheran Synods in the South in one general organization.
- 2. That in order that the proposed union of these Synods in one body may be most promptly and satisfactorily consummated, in accordance with what we believe to be the general and earnest desire of the ministry and laity of our Southern Church, we hereby authorize our delegates to the next convention of the General Synod South, appointed to be held at Roanoke City, Va., to unite with the other members of that body in such action as may be necessary for the immediate merging of the said General Synod South into the body contemplated by the action of the Diet.
- 3. That, feeling a confident assurance that no impediments will be placed in the way of a union of our Southern Synods in one organization, we hereby ask the several Synods now constituting the General Synod South to unite with us in inviting (by formal resolution similar to this) our brethren of the Tennessee Synod and of the Holston Synod to send properly accredited delegates to Roanoke City, Va.. ——. 1886, there to meet us in convention with a view to formal organization and the adoption of the constitution submitted by the Diet.
- 4. That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary to the Presidents of the Lutheran Synods represented at Salisbury by delegates or by letter, with the request that they be laid before their respective bodies for consideration.

  Respectfully submitted,

J, HAWKINS. E. T, HORN, A. H. KOHN, The report of committee on President's Report was received considered by items and adopted.

### Committee on President's Report.

- 1. The report of the President shows fidelity to the trusts committed to his hands, and a commendable knowledge of the wants and prospects of our Church.
- 2. We desire to unite with him in devout thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessings of His hand, even in the midst of the partial withholding of the rains of heaven and the full increase of the fields.
- 3. His official acts show promptness and faithfulness in the guardianship of the interests of our Synod,
- 4. We fully agree with the President in his estimate of Augusta Mission, and the necessity of looking well into our interest and promptly meeting our obligations there.
- 5. We commend his course in the matter now in litigation between the Tennessee and South Carolina Synods, and heartily recommend the appointment of the committee suggested, and that the correspondence which has passed between the two presidents be placed in the hands of that committee.
- 6. Inasmuch as the action of the Diet at Salisbury will be reported by the delegates appointed by this body we need make no suggestions here.
- 7. In reference to Chaplain Bolles' work, we recommend the appointment of the committee suggested in the report.
- 8. We suggest that the elections spoken of in the President's Report be held.
- 9. If there is no possibility of our worthy Treasurers of the Seminary and the Bachman Endowment Funds continuing in office, we recommend that we proceed to an election for their successors.
- 10. In regard to the evils connected with our Church work, so properly referred to in the report, we suggest the appointment of a committee to consider the matter and report at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HAWKINS, S. S. RAHN, J. C, BRODFUEHRER, WM, W. HOUSEAL.

Under item five the following committee was appointed: Rev. J. Steck, D. D., and Rev. J. Hawkins D. D.

Under item seven the following committee was appointed, to whom the communication therein mentioned was referred: Rev. L. K. Probst and Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.

Under item eight the following was adopted:

Resolved, That we comply with the request of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College to increase the Board from eighteen to twenty-four, and that two be added to each class.

Under item ten, Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D. was appointed a committee to report on existing evils in our church work.

The following college board was elected:

### Board of Trustees of Newberry College.

#### TERM EXPIRES 1886.

G. S. Mower, Esq.
W. J. Assman, Esq
C. M. Efird, Esq.
Rev. L. E. Busby.

#### TERM EXPIRES 1887.

Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.	O. L. Schumpert, Esq.
Thos. W. Holloway, Esq.	Capt. G. S. Hacker.
Geo. D. Rast, Esq.	Rev. A. J. Bowers.
Rev. S. T. Hallman.	Rev. L. K. Probst.

#### TERM EXPIRES 1888.

Maj. P. E. Wise.	Rev. C. P. Boozer.
Maj. G. Leaphart.	Geo. B. Cromer, Esq.
Rev. J. Steck, D. D.	Rev. J. H. Wilson.
Gen, Y. J. Pope.	J. B. O'N. Holloway, Esq.

Report of committee on Seminary Fund was received and adopted.

### Report of Committee on Seminary Fund.

The committee appointed to examine the account of the Treasurer of the Theological Seminary Fund, would respectfully report that they have examined the same, find it correct and items properly vouched. The committee would recommend that the request of the Treasurer be confirmed to, in future drafts on him, viz: that these drafts be made in January and July, when the interest on the investments becomes due.

R. G. CHISOLM, N. B. WHEELER, L. K. PROBST, Committee. The following Seminary Board was elected: Revs. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., J. A. Sligh, E. T. Horn, E. A. Wingard, S. S. Rahn, Dr. J. A. Berly, C. Ehrhardt, Esq., Hon. J. F. Ficken, J. T. Rauch, and H. H. Folk.

The following committee on church property at Laurens C. H., S. C., was appointed: Rev. J. A. Sligh and Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.

Major P. E. Wise was re-elected Treasurer of Synod.

The following Delegates to the General Synod South were elected:

## Delegates to General Synod.

#### CLERICAL.

PRINCIPALS.	ALTERNATES
Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.	Rev. S. T. Hallman.
Rev. J. A. Sligh.	Rev. G. W. Holland, Ph. D.
Rev. E. T. Horn.	Rev. S. S. Rahn.
Rev. E. A. Wingard-	Rev. J. Steck, D. D.
Rev. L. K. Probst.	Rev. C. P. Boozer.

#### LAY.

PRINCIPALS.	ALTERNATES.
Maj. P. E. Wise.	D. B. Wheeler, Esq.
Jno. D. Cappelmann, Esq.	Capt. G. S. Hacker.
Robt. G. Chisolm, Esq.	Maj. G. Leaphart.
J. B. O'Neall Holloway, Esq.	O. L. Schumpert, Esq.
Geo. B. Cromer, Esq. •	S. Corley, Esq.

Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. B. Kreps.

Sermon at night by Rev. A. G. Voigt, from II Timothy
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### FIFTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1885, 9 A. M.

Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. D. Kyser.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Rev. J. Steck, D. D., presented the report of the Executive Committee. Report received and considered by items.

After some discussion the further consideration of the report was postponed and made the special order for 3 P. M. to-day.

The report of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College was now taken up.

### Report of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College.

The Session of 1884–85 of the College was in many respects the most trying one in the history of the Institution. The short crops of previous years with the financial pressure following had their effects upon all institutions of learning, and our College being only partially endowed, and having mainly to look for support from the town in which it is located and our Church in the State, felt the shock severely. Seventy-two students were enrolled during the session. The work of the financial agent being comparatively new to those among whom he labored, and the agent himself having been detained at home for a considerable length of time on account of severe sickness in his family but little has been realized in cash collections to the College. Considering all things the agent has done well. (See brief statement of the work of the agent.) As a consequence of all this our Professors have not yet been paid the amount of salary which your Board of Trustees guaranteed to them.

The present outlook for the College is hopeful, there being a better opening for the present session than there has been for a number of years. The number of students now in attendance is seventy-two and to this number other names will be added by the first of January next.

The income from tuition may be safely estimated at	\$2,400 00
Bachman Endowment Fund	400 00
Seminary Fund	1,400 00
	\$4,200 00
The expenses of the Session will be for salaries guaranteed	
Incidentals	. 550 00
•	\$4.700 00
A deficit of	\$500 0 <b>0</b>

In the above estimate of expenses is included the salary of an additional Professor. The board of Trustees saw no way at its last annual meeting to run the College, and at the same time to give something like value received for the \$1,200 to be appropriated from the Seminary Fund without employing an additional Professor who could teach in the Seminary and give instruction to College classes in the Modern languages. This too was made a condition by the Board of Directors of the Seminary in appropriating the \$1,200, and the College Board fully realizing the

justice and importance of such a demand heartily endorsed the recommendation.

Under this action of the two Boards, the Standing Committee of the College Board with authority to act. elected Rev. A. G. Voigt who has entered upon his work and has already made a most favorable impression. The College and Seminary have a most excellent and competent faculty and the Church will have to sustain the College in its efforts to support its present number of professors or to let the whole go down. The latter cannot be thought of-it is too suicidal even to allow of serious consideration. Our institutions at Newberry must be maintained or our Church in this State and South of us, will be so crippled as to be unable to perform the great work assigned to her. If we are to leave undone anything, we had far better let other enterprises fail than our College and Seminary; for when we support and build up these institutions, accomplishing the great work intended by their founders, we are indirectly, but in a most telling way, supporting missions, Church extension and every good work which the Lord has given us to do. The aim of the Church, of every minister in our connection and of all our members, should be to endow these institutions and fill them with students,

It is a question and one of vital and serious importance, whether or not we are not trying to do more than our limited means and resources justify and by thus dividing our funds and efforts in the attempted cultivation of so many fields, whether we are not pursuing a course that is checking our growth. The great cry made to-day by our Church is for more laborers—well qualified laborers. The field on every hand is ripe unto the harvest and the cry is heard, "Come over and help us." The question to be decided is, how can our Synod most effectually do this work. If we would build up these waste places and increase our members and growth in our own cultivated fields, we must educate a greater number of our peaple and send them out as Ministers of the Gospel and intelligent laymen to do the work which God has assigned to us.

We recommend that the sum of \$600,60 be paid by the Synod to the Trustees of the College towards the expenses of the session of 1885-86—one half by December 1st, 1885, and the balance March 1st, 1886.

This resolution is in accordance with a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees at its last annual meeting,

The Board likewise at the same meeting decided to recommend to Synod that the President of the College be made a member of the Board ex-officio, with all the privileges enjoyed by the other members. The recommendation is hereby made.

At the same meeting the Board guaranteed the salaries of the Professors. In this report, mention has not been made of commencement exercises, etc. These matters having heretofore been extensively brought to the notice of the church by the press, require no special notice in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SLIGH,
President Board of Trustees of Newberry College,

On motion, J. B. O'Neall Holloway, Esq., was appointed Assistant Secretary.

Pending the consideration of the report, Synod adjourned for divine Service.

Sermon by Rev. Wm. Stondenmire, of the North Carolina Synod, from Romans X: 10.

#### SIXTH SESSION.

Saturday, October 24, 1885, 3 P. M.

Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D. On motion of Rev. J. Steck, D. D., it was

Resolved, That, at some convenient time, the Synod as a body proceed to the grave of the Rev. E. L. Hazelius, D. D., whose remains lie near here and engage in such devotions as will commemorate the services of the distinguished dead.

Synod resumed the consideration of the report of Trustees of Newberry College.

The plan for raising the Endowment Fund, contemplated in the report, was laid on the table until next meeting of Synod.

Resolved, That we appropriate a sum not exceeding \$600, towards salaries of Professors in the College.

Report adopted as a whole.

Rev. J. F. Kiser and Messrs. N. B. Wheeler and Geo. P. Griffin were excused after Sunday services.

A letter from Rev. H. S. Wingard, Secretary of the Georgia Synod, was read and referred to the proper committee.

The following was adopted:

### Report of Committee on Report of Treasurer of Synod.

Your Committee beg to report that, they have carefully examined said report and find the same correct with proper vouchers for all disbursements,

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. D. CAPPELMANN. S. CORLEY.

The committee appointed to draft and execute new bond of Treasurers, made the following report, which was adopted:

Charleston, S. C., October 21, 1885.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, convening at Lexington C. H., S. C.:

The undersigned appointed a committee to draft and execute new bonds for Treasurers, beg to report that they have prepared now bonds for each of the Treasurers of Synod in the following amounts, to wit;

 Treasurer of Synod
 \$ 2,000 00

 Treasurer of Bachman Endowment Fund
 18,000 00

 Treasurer of Seminary Fund
 25,000 00

The bonds for the Treasurer of the Bachman Endowment Fund and of the Treasurer of Synod were duly forwarded to the local committees appointed by this body for execution.

The Treasurer of the Seminary Fund has not yet executed the new bond submitted to him,

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. D. CAPPELMANN, R. G. CHISOLM.

Synod adjourned and repaired to the grave of Rev. E. L. Hazelius, D. D., and engaged in appropriate religious services. Sermon at night by Rev. L. K. Probst from Psalm XL: 2.

#### SEVENTH SESSION.

Saturday, October 24, 1885, 8½ P. M.

Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. L. E. Busby.

The Corresponding Delegate to the North Carolina Synod read his report, which was received and ordered printed in the Minutes.

### Report of Corresponding Delegate to N. C. Synod.

Your delegate was unable to attend the meeting of the N. C. Synod in May last, and was duly informed by his alternate, that he too, was unable to attend. He then addressed a fraternal letter to that body, assuring the brethren in that State of our deep interest in their welfare, and expressing our desire that they increase more and more in those Christian graces which have for three or four generations distinguished the Lutherans of North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HAWKINS.

The Committee on Pastoral Districts reported. Report adopted.

### Report of Committee on Pastoral Districts.

The letters placed in the hands of this Committee are some papers relating to changes of pastors, which have already been acted upon by the President, and will not need further action by this body.

In addition to this, we have

1st. A letter from Rev. B. Kreps, stating that in connection with his other Churches, he has received and accepted a call from Nazareth Church, and is now supplying them with regular preaching once a month.

If this arrangement is mutually satisfactory to Nazareth Church and the Churches with which it formally stood connected, we recommend that it

be confirmed by Synod.

2d. A card from Rev. J. D. Bowles informing Synod that he expected to serve Macedonia Church during this year in connection with Pastorate No. 7. We recommend that this arrangement be confirmed by Synod,

Respectfully submitted,

L. K. PROBST, G. W. HOLLAND, L. E. BUSBY.

The Committee on the Report of Rev. E. A. Bolles, Chaplain of the South Carolina Lunatic Asylum, made its report. Report received and adopted.

# Report of Committee on Report of Rev. Edward A. Bolles.

The Committee to which was referred a report and letter from the Rev. Edwin Abiel Bolles, Chaplain of the South Carolina State Lunatic Asylum would report the following:

1st. That the Report be read in open Synod and afterwards printed in the Lutheran Visitor.

2d. That we, as a Synod, do hereby express to Brother Bolles our appreciation of his arduous labors and the faithfulness with which they have been performed.

3d. We rejoice that at the close of a ministry of fifty years within the bounds of this Synod, he is still blessed with health and strength, and able to labor so acceptably for the Lord.

4. That we pray for him the continued guidance, direction and blessing of God.

Respectfully submitted,

L. K. PROBST, J. HAWKINS.

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The Report of Committee on Report of President of the Board of Directors of Theological Seminary of the South was received, considered by items and adopted.

# Report of the Board of Directors of the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary of the South.

The Board of Directors met in Luther Chapel, Newberry S. C., June 23, 1885, organized by election of Rev. E. A. Wingard, President, and Rev. S. S. Rahn, Secretary.

The following action was taken:

WHEREAS, Dr. G. W. Holland has requested that we define more clearly the relation of the Seminary to the College and make satisfactory arrangement for another scholastic year, therefore Resolved, 1st, That in our construction of the recent actions of Synod, it is contemplated that the two institutions shall in their workings be regarded as one institution, and the one shall in every respect, as far as possible, be made to subserve the interest of the other.

- 2. That since the founders of these institutions had always in contemplation the continuance of such a union, and since more than half of the so-called Seminary Fund was raised directly for the classical institute, the appropriation of any or all of the income of said fund to the common interests of both institutions is a direct carrying out of the original bequests.
- 3. That the present provisional arrangements be continued with the addition of another professor, a clergyman to be elected by the College Board, and that to meet all the expenses of the two institutions we recommend that Synod place the entire income of said fund in the hands of the College Board.
- 4. That a committee be appointed who shall draw up a prescribed course of Theology for two years, to be taught by the Professors as long as these arrangements shall continue.
- 5. That all Professors engaged in Theological instruction shall be required to take all the obligations enjoined in our constitution.

The Committee under item 4 is composed of Revs. E. T. Horn, G. W. Holland and J. A. Sligh.

In pursuance of resolution 3rd, the College Board elected Rev. A. G. Voigt as additional Professor.

On account of circumstances over which I had no control I failed to administer the required affirmation to the Professors at the opening of Seminary I would ask your ruling as to whether this be attended to now as a Synodical action or be left for me to discharge as President of Board Directors,

Inasmuch as Professor Voigt was elected in compliance with the action of Board of Directors it becomes necessary for Synod to make such appropriation from Seminary Fund as will fulfill the obligation thus made to the College Board.

In view of the intimate connection permanently established between the Seminary and Newberry College, I would respectfully suggest that instead of electing one Professor for the Seminary, it would be more advisable for Synod to elect the several Professors who are now teaching our Theological Students as permanent Professors in the different departments of the Seminary, and make arrangements for all possible compensation from the income of Seminary Fund to be disbursed by the College Board in such a manner as they may deem best.

I would also call your attention to the disagreement of opinion existing between members of the Committee appointed to revise the constitution of the Seminary, relative to the jurisdiction of the Board in the election of a Professor. I would urge upon your body to make a full and explicite declaration regarding this most important perogative.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. WINGARD, President Board of Directors.

# Report of the Committee on the Report of the President of Board of Directors of the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary of the South.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the report of the President of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary find that this paper consists, 1st, of an abstract of the proceedings of the meeting of the Board in June last, 2d, of suggestions to this body by its President. We recommend

- 1. That resolutions 1, 2, 4 and 5 of the proceedings be confirmed.
- 2. In place of resolution 3 of the proceedings that the following be adopted:
- (a) That the Theological Seminary be permanently constituted as follows:
  - Rev. G. W. Holland, Ph. D., Professor of Exegical and Practical Theology. Rev. Holmes Dysinger, Professor of Hebrew.
  - Rev. A. G. Voigt, Professor of Systematic and Historic Theology.
- (b) and the adoption of the recommendation namely: That the entire income of the Seminary Fund be placed in the hands of the College Board for the maintenance of the two institutions, inasmuch as the Professors of the Seminary are also Professors of the College, the board of which is responsible for the expenses of both institutions.
- 3. With regard to the suggestions of the President, we recommend that the election of Professors of the Seminary be a prerogative of the Synod.
  - 4. That the Synod do now proceed to said election.
- 5. That the affirmation required of the Professors of the Seminary by its constitution, be administored by the President of the Board of Directors at the College, at such time, and with such ceremonies as he may appoint.

  Respectfully submitted,

J. H. WILSON, W. W. HOUSEAL, G. W. HOLLAND.

Committee.

The following Professors of the Theological Seminary were elected to the respective chairs named, as provided for in the foregoing report:

Rev. Dr. G. W. Holland, Exegitical and Practical Theology. Rev, Holmes Dysinger, Hebrew.

Rev. A. G. Voigt, Systematic and Historic Theology.

The following was adopted:

In view of the paramount importance of placing Newberry College and the Theological Seminary upon a secure foundation, and the desirability of interesting the several Synods of the church in the South in these institutions on whose usefulness so much depends, be it

Resolved, That we invite the Synods of Georgia and Mississippi to elect and send two visitors each to the meetings of the Board of Newberry College, and one visitor each, to the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, who shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Boards; and we invite them to join with us in promoting the educational interests of our Church, as they are represented in these institutions,

Resolved, That this Synod request the President of the General Synod South to appoint as the time of the next meeting of that body, Wednesday the 22d of June, 1886.

The Executive Committee report was called up. After discussing the Augusta Mission, further consideration of the report was postponed until Monday, the 26th inst.

The following was adopted:

# Report of Committee on Church Property at Laurens C. H., S. C.

The Committee appointed to report on the Laurens Church property recommend that a committee be appointed by Synod to investigate the matter connected with said church property and that full power be given to said committee to make sale of the lot in question for such consideration as may be deemed just.

J. A. SLIGH. J. HAWKINS.

Rev. J. A. Sligh was appointed the Committee on Laurens Church property.

A communication from Orangeburg Church was referred to a committee on *Vacant Charges*, consisting of Revs. L. E. Busby and J. H. Wilson.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Dr. G. W. Holland.

#### SUNDAY SERVICES.

Sermon at 11 A. M., by Rev. A. B. McMackin.
Sermon at 7½ P. M., by Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.
Sermon at 11 A. M., in M. E. Church, by Rev. J. H. Wilson.
Sermon at 11 A. M., in A. M. E. Church, by Rev. J. Steck,
D. D.

Sermon at 11 A. M., in Columbia, S. C. by Rev. J. E. Bushnell.

Sermon at 11 A. M., in St. David's, by Rev. Dr. Holland. Missionary Addresses in the afternoon, by Revs. E. A. Wingard and J. H. Wilson.

#### EIGHTH SESSION.

Monday, October 26th, 1885, 9 A. M. Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. A. J. Bowers. Minutes of Saturday's session read and approved.

Rev. Dr. Hawkins read report on Existing Evils in the Church. Report adopted.

# Report on Existing Evils in our Church.

Your Committee on the evils connected with our church work mentioned by the President in his Annual report, recognize with deep regret the fact that the inadequate support of our pastors in our country charges is very much impeding the progress of our church.

We believe that this evil has its source in three courses. 1st, Too little preaching. 2d, Too ready a disposition on the part of our pastors to engage in secular callings, and 3d, in a want of scriptural liberality among our people.

The first memtioned evil. that of too little preaching, can only be remedied by lessoning our pastoral charges, the pastoral charges can be made smaller only by a larger degree of liberality on the part of our people, and this can be effected only by our pastors withdrawing from secular engagements, and giving themselves wholly to the work of the ministry.

Our pastors are doing more to weaken their funds and lesson their salaries than our laity. Our people generally give what they are asked for, and give only when necessary. And the best logic by which to convince them of duty in this respect is the logic of facts. Let our pastors throw themselves on their congregations and give themselves wholly and actively

to the ministry and pastoral work, and they will then find their people cheerfully responding. These facts have been demonstrated time and again in our charges. Much larger salaries are paid to some pastors than others in the same charge, not because of greater preaching abilities, but because of more entire consecration to the work.

One sermon a year on Scriptural liberality, as the President suggests, may accomplish something, but, a sermon a whole year long of devotion to his charge, consecration to his work, zeal in the cause of Christ, and faithfulnes in pastoral work, on the part of the pastor, will raise him up friends who will gladly share with him whatever they may have.

The first lecture, then and the largest one, should be read to the pastors, and then let us instruct our people in this matter of vital importance to the welfare of our Zion.

There is that in the Gospel, in our devotion to it, and in our consecration to the best and highest interests of our fellow man, which when properly employed, will call out all the benevolent feelings of our nature, and draw out of us the very greatest degree of liberality of which we are capable.

Our noble Christian people have always responded nobly to all appeals for benevolence and liberality when properly instructed and properly approached.

J. HAWKINS.

Committee on Letters and Excuses reported. Report considered by items and adopted:

#### Report of Committee on Letters and Excuses.

Letters Nunbers 1 and 2.—These letters have reference to a misunderstanding between the Committee on Seminary Constitution last year. We recommend that they be read. Already attended to.

Letter Number 4.—A communication from Rev. C. F. Bonsemer asking to be excused. We recommend that he be excused. Adopted.

Letter Number 5.—A communication from Rev. Prof. Holmes Dysinger, asking to be excused from this meeting of Synod. We recommend that he be excused. Adopted.

Letter Number 6.—A communication from Rev. Johannes Heckel and delegate, asking to be excused, with additional matter. We recommend that it be read. Adopted.

Letter Number 7.—A communication from Rev E. T. Horn, asking to be excused. We recommend that he be excused.

Letter Number 8.—A communication from the corresponding delegate from N. C. Synod. We recommend that it be read. Adopted.

Letter Number 9.—A communication from Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., asking to be excused. We recommend that he be excused. Adopted.

Letter Number 10.—A communication from Rev. Edwin Abiel Bolles, asking to be excused. We recommend that he be excused. Adopted.

Letter Number 11.—A communication from Rev. J. D. Bowles. asking that he be excused from the present meeting of Synod on account of illness. We recommend that he be excused. Adopted.

Letter Number 12.—A request from Rev. J. F. Probst, through his son, to be excused on account of ill health, and that his name be left on the Roll of Synod, and his address be Gettysburg, Pa. We recommend that he be excused and his request granted. Adopted.

Letter Number 13.—A petition from Graniteville, asking for a continuance of aid to help pay pastor's salary, thanking Synod for past favors and expressions of appreciation for the preached word. We recommend that this letter be referred to the Executive Committee. Adopted.

Letter Number 15.—A communication from Blythewood, praying this body for assistance. We recommend that this letter be referred to the Executive Committee. Respectfully submitted,

Z. W. BEDENBAUGH.

D, KISER. N. D. BODIE.

Committee on vacant charges report. Referred to Executive

Committee and President with power to act.

### Report on Vacant Charges.

Your Committee find in their hands a communication from the church at Orangeburg asking aid in procuring occasional preaching until they have discharged a debt to their former pastor. Settlement has been made by note.

We recommend that the President be directed to aid them in making such arrangement as is thought best. In the meantime the congregation hold services regularly.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. BUSBY.

J. H. WILSON.

Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D., offered the following, which was adopted:

Whereas, Walhalla Female College is within the bounds of our Synod, is presided over by an honored pastor of this body, and is in every way worthy of our patronage, therefore,

Resolved. That, recognizing in Dr. J. P. Smeltzer, one of the leading instructors of the State, we recommend his College to any who may have daughters to educate.

The following adopted:

#### State of Religion.

Your Committee on the state of Religion beg leave to report, that guided by the light thrown on the subject by the brief statements in their possession, several encouraging facts are manifested. 1st, There is a growing interest taken in the public worship of God. 2d, There is increased and more efficient work in the Sunday-School, 3d, There is no abatement of interest, on the part of Pastors, in catechisation. 4th, There is marked progress in improving church property, and in giving to the cause of benevolence especially in the line of Home and Foreign Missions. These indications give promise of still better things in the early future. They exhibit a solid foundation, with commendable progress in rearing the superstructure, and the assurance that the head stone of the building shall yet be raised amid the rejoicing of our "people shonting grace, grace, unto it." But while the parochial statements to which reference is made, give promise of the realization of these pleasing hopes, there is a noticeable want of allusion in most of them to social prayer meeting and to the family altar, The silence of the reports on these subjects must not be interpreted to mean indifference or opposition to them, for we know that the Family Altar is maintained by many of our people, and that the prayer meeting is a regular one in many of our Pastorates. Christians are exhorted to "pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." A statement of increased interest in social and family prayer, manifesting itself in an increasing number of laymen praying in public, and in a growing number of family altars erected, would show the development of the church in true spirituality that would warrant the belief that she was about to "come up out of the wilderness, fair as the moon clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners" With what is already attained, with the anticipations to which it gives rise, we may, with Paul and his companions, at the Appli Forum, and the three taverns, "Thank God and take courage."

J. STECK,
A. B. McMACKIN.
J. F. KISER.
SIMEON CORLEY.

Rev. J. Steck, D. D., read the following papers, which were adopted:

# Report of Committee on Woman's Missionary Society, and Direction as to Payment of Moneys.

Your Committee beg leave to report that this society, organized about ten months ago, under the direction of Rev. W. P. Swartz, our Missionary to India. is laboring with commendable zeal and most encouraging success, having already collected \$436,50 for the objects contemplated in its organization. We cannot commend too highly what our women have undertaken, and with all our hearts, we bid them God speed in their well begun work.

The officers of the Society as at present constituted are: President.—Mrs. P. Robertson, Newberry.
Recording Secretary.—Miss Laura McFall, Prosperity.
Corresponding Secretary.—Miss. L. G. Rives, Newberry.
Treasurer.—Mrs. G. W. Holland, Newberry.

The following Societies have thus far been organized:

Grace Church, Mt. Pilgrim, St. Luke, and Colony, Prosperity.

St. Marks, Ethridge, Edgefield.

St. Paul, Bethlehem and St. Philip's, Pomaria, S. C.

St. Matthews, Orangeburg.

St. Andrews and St. Stephens, Lexington.

Ebenezer, Columbia.

Luther Chapel, Newberry,

Sandy Run, Lexington.

Good Hope, Leesville.

Mt. Calvary, Johnston.

St. Johns, Calks Road.

Bethel, Lexington Co.

Pine Grove, and Trinity, Orangeburg Co.

The following statement of moneys, collected and disbursed, with balance on hand, is presented with the recommendation that it be approved.

As some confusion exists in the minds of many in relation to the proper Treasurer to pay the moneys collected from different channels, your Committee recommend that all moneys collected by the women through their Local Mission Societies, be paid to Mrs. G. W. Holland, Treasurer of the Executive Committee at Newberry, that all the moneys collected by the Children's Missionary Societies, be paid to Rev. L. K. Probst, Treasurer, Charleston, and that all moneys collected by other means, be paid to the Treasurer of Synod, Major P. E. Wise, Prosperity.

J. STECK. J. HAWKINS.

# Report of the Treasurer of Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

Mrs. G. W. Holland, Treasurer, in Account with Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of South Carolina.

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Resolved, That this Synod has heard with pleasure that the Woman's Home and Foreign Missioniry Society in connection with this body will hold a convention at Prosperity, November 25, 1885.

Resolved, That our pastors and laymen be urged to give to the women of our Synod all needed encouragement and assistance in this good work-

The Treasurer of Children's Missionary Society reported. Report adopted:

# Report of Secretary and Treasurer of Children's Missionary Society.

L. K. Probst, in account with Children's Missionary Socsety:
1884. Dr.
November 6.—Balance
" 6-10 Received at Synod, Pine Grove 169 75
" 10 Home Mission Collection Pine Grove 103 47
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January 1,—Dividend
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April 6 St. Mathews, Charleston, per R. C. Voigt 39 33
July 1 Dividend
Oct. 22 Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D., St. Luke's
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Oct. 22 Rev. J. H. Wilson, St. Matthews and Mt. Lebanon 12 50
Oct, 22 Maj. G. Leaphart, St. Andrews
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Oct. 24 Trinity Sunday School per O. L. Strock 7 00
Oct. 24 Mt. Calvary, per Rev. L. E. Bushy 6 25
Oct. 26 Grace Church Sunday School, per Maj. P. E. Wise. 12 80
Bethlehem, per J. B. O'N. Holloway
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November 22.—Paid Maj. P. E. Wise, for Augusta Missions \$300 00
April 30 Paid J. D. Cappelmann, expenses to Augusta 10 00
April 30 Paid Rev. J. Steck, D. D., expenses to Augusta 9 00
Total\$319 00

Report of Executive Committee was taken up and adopted:

#### Operations of Executive Committee.

The deliberations and transactions of the Executive Committee, during the year just closing have had reference almost wholly to the Augusta Mission. By referring to pages 31 and 32 of Synod's printed Minutes for 1884, it will be seen that a lot for a Mission Church had already been contracted for, upon which a payment of \$400 had been made, and for the deferred payments on which Synod's obligations had been given. On account of these maturing obligations, first of \$700 to refund to D. C. Stelling for that amount loaned by him to Synod, to complete the first payment of \$1,100 on lot, and secondly, of another note of \$1,100 falling on the 10th of July, with accrued interest, the most difficult and perplexing duty the committee had to perform, was in devising ways and means. It must be confessed that the business wants of the mission took up so much of the time of the committee as to necessitate measurable inattention to its spiritual wants. It was deemed of paramount importance that the investment of money already made, should not be jeopardized by any default in meeting obligations at maturity, or the cause in Augusta suffer from the loss of confidence which such default would occasion. To our deep regret, the Missionary, Rev. S. S. Rahn, was obliged to carry on his work without pecuniary aid, additional to the salary paid by the organization he had effected. The experiment under any circumstances would have been unduly venturesome, but in the embarrassed financial condition of the country, which was peculiar in its severity in Augusta, the cessation of the Pastors labor, for want of due support, before the expiration of the year, was almost a foregone conclusion months before it occurred. At the first meeting of the committee, it was resolved, in consideration of Brother Rahu's preaching statedly for a year at Graniteville, in connection with Augusta, that Synod be asked for an appropriation of \$50, for this service. At a meeting held in Newberry on the 24th of June 1885, with a view to arranging for the payment of the note of \$1,100 and interest due the 10th of July, D. B. Wheeler, Esq., Maj. P. E. Wise, and Rev. J. A. Sligh, were appointed a special Committee with full power to act, and to visit Augusta, to ascertain by observation, and intercourse with the people, the condition and prospects of the mission. The committee recommend:

1st, That Synod appropriate \$50 to pay Brother Rahn for services at Graniteville.

2d. That the expenses of D. B. Wheeler, Esq., and Maj. P. E. Wise in visiting Augusta, be paid from Synod's Treasury.

J. STECK.

Chairman Executive Committee.

#### Special Committee's Report to the Executive Committee on Missions.

Your Committee to whom was assigned the duty of visiting Augusta
Mission, and making second payment on lot purchased by the Evangelical
Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, report that they raised the money to
pay off the note due 10th July, 1885, from the following parties to wit:
From Major P. E. Wise, Treasurer Synod\$106 40
From Major Leaphart, Treasurer Bachman Endowment Fund 400 00
From G. W. Holland, borrowed
From D. B. Wheeler Treasurer L. M, A., borrowed 100 00
From Wm, Johnson, borrowed
From John J. Sease, borrowed
From Ladies' Aid Society, of L. Chapel, borrowed 100 00
From D. B. Wheeler, borrowed
From D. C. Stelling, borrowed
From Mrs. G. W. Holland, Treasurer Woman's H. and F. M. S 50 00
<b>£1</b> 176 57

On 20th day July, we received from Treasurer of Synod \$35.60, paid D. C. Stelling \$26.57, post office order 10c, and \$7.93 on amount due D. B. Wheeler, leaving balance due him \$35.67.

We suggest that Synod be requested to pay said debts as early as possible.

We further report that two of our members visited Augusta in person, viz, P. E. Wise and D. B. Wheeler, that we found some of the members of the congregation despondent and ready to abandon the enterprise, while others remained steadfast and willing to continue the work. We were gratified at what had been accomplished by the little flock and their Pastor, Rev. S. S. Rahn, in so short a time under so great financial depression, and deem it unwise for Synod to adandon the work, 1st because it would tend to lessen confidence in any other enterprise undertaken hereafter by Synod, and 2nd, because we consider the field an inviting and promising one.

The expenses incurred by each was \$15.90, total \$31.80. Respectfully submitted,

D, B, WHEELER. P. E. WISE.

Committee.

The recommendations in Special Committee Report to Executive Committee were discussed. The whole matter of the Augusta Mission was referred to the Executive Committee, and the President of Synod authorized to execute such deed or deeds in the name of this Synod, to be attested by the Secretary, with the seal of Synod affixed, as he may be instructed by the said Committee, in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.

The Committee on Appropriations reported. Report adopted.

#### Report of Committee on Appropriations.

The Committee on Appropriations would report as follows:			
1. Expenses of Newberry College	. \$ 4	00	00
2. Printing of and Express on Minutes	1	00	00
3. Final Assessment for Richmond Mission	. 1	60	00
4. Debt on College Building	1	21	00
5. M. J. Epting and J. B. Haigler, Beneficiaries, each \$100	. 2	00	00
6. Delegates to Diet, Dr. Hawkins		10	00
" " A, H. Kohn		12	50
" " Rev. E. T. Horn		10	00
7. Printing Blank Parochial Reports, S. T. Hallman		3	11
	\$1.0	16	61

The balance in the hands of Treasurer be appropriated to the Executive Committee, to be held subject to the order of the President, in paying first loans already made to the Executive Committee in behalf of the Augusta Mission.

#### Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SLIGH.

J. H. WILSON,

J. W. BOWERS.

The Committee on Apportionments recommended that the amount fixed for each charge last year, be our apportionment for the ensuing year. Adopted.

#### Report of Committee on Apportionments.

Rev. J. C. Brodfuehrer's congregation	\$ 10	00
Augusta Mission congregation	10	00
Rev. E. T. Horn's congregation	130	00
Rev. J. E. Bushnell's charge	50	00
Rev. L. K. Probst's congregation	100	00
Rev. J. Heckel's congregation	30	00
Rev. L. E. Busby's charge	35	00
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh's charge	60	00
Rev. J. H, Wilson's charge	70	00
Early Branch congregation	10	00
Rev. Dr. J. P. Smeltzer's congregation	5	00

Orangeburg congregation	12 00
Rev. J. A. Sligh's charge	65 00
Rev. Dr. J. Hawkins' congregation	60 00
Rev. J. D. Bowles' charge	40 00
Pastorate No. 9	80 00
Rev. S. T. Hallman's charge	60 00
Rev. S. S. Rahn's charge	60 00
Rev. B. Kreps' charge	25 00
Rev D. Kyser's charge	3 00
Rev. Dr. G. W. Holland's congregation	30 00
Rev. M. O. J. Kreps' charge	60 00
Rev. E. A. Wingard's charge	50 00
Rev. A. B. McMackin's congregation	60 00
Rev. A. W. Lindler's congregation	5 00
Rev. Dr. L, Muller's congregation	75 00
Rev. A. J Bowers' congregation	65 00
Rev. J. H. Bailey's charge.	25 00
Rev. Dr. C. F. Bansemer's congregation	5 00
Macedonia congregation	20 00
Cooperville congregation	5 00
Blythewood congregation	5 00
Mt. Pleasant congregation	5 00
Salem.	5 00

\$1,330 00 J. E. BUSHNELL,

J. E. BUSHNEL J. Q. WERTZ.

The Committee to draft resolutions expressive of sympathy with Capt. G. S. Hacker and Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., presented the following, which was adopted:

### Report of Committee on Resolutions of Sympathy.

Resolved, 1st, That this Synod recognizing the fact that Dr. Smeltzer has passed the greater part of his life in working successfully for the institutions and congregations of this Synod, hereby extends to him its cordial and heartfelt sympathy in his sad bereavement. The devoted wife, mother, christian, friend, has been borne from the sufferings of earth to the bliss of Heaven, she whom he loved his worthy companion and helpmeet, is no more with us, but another bright star shines on forever through the depth of the everlasting ages. We pray God's blessing upon our brother in sorrow.

Resolved, 2nd, That this Synod do hereby extend to Capt. G. S. Hacker its deep sympathy with him in affliction, and desires to express its disappointment in not seeing among us a face which has been here regularly

for many years, and we pray that God's all-sufficient grace may sustain him in these latter years of his Christian life and secure to him riches imperishable.

Resolved 3rd That copies of these resolutions be forwarded to each of these dear brethren.

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. WILSON. J. STECK.

Committee on Conferences reported. Report adopted:

#### Report of Committee on Conferences.

Your Committee would submit that they have in their hands no report from either of the Conferences, but from the Minutes of the Newberry and Central Conferences they learn the following:

- 1, That the Newberry and Central Conferences have held regular meetings, and that these meetings have been well attended by both laity and clergy, who, by their united and harmonious actions, made the meetings quite interesting and successful.
- 2, That in connection with the Newberry Conference, quite an interesting and successful Sunday School Convention was held at Colony Church in August, 1885.
- 3, That Rev. Dr. Hawkins was appointed by Newberry Conference "a Committee of one to prepare a suitable form for making reports on the state of religion by pastors at Synod," and that said Conference memoralize Synod to adopt said paper. We would recommend that this be not neglected.
- 4, That the case of Rev. A. W. Lindler, which was at last meeting of Synod referred to the Central Conference for investigation, has not been properly attended to. We further recommend that this be not passed over without proper action Respectfully submitted,

M. O. J. KREPS. W. B. AULL.

Resolved, That the Bond of Trustees of the Bachman Endowment Fund be reduced from \$18,000, to \$6,000, and that we now go into an election for said Treasurer.

- Maj. G. Leaphart was unanimously re-elected, and the following Committee appointed to execute his bond: Drs. J. L. Shuler and D. L. Boozer.
- Maj. G. W. Dingle was unanimously re-elected Treasurer of Seminary Fund, and the following adopted:

Resolved, That the President of Synod with Messrs. R G. Chisolm, and J. D. Cappelmann, be appointed a committee to confer with Mr. G. W. Dingle, and learn under what conditions he will accept the office. and to

this end the said Committee shall have power to register any or all of the securities of Synod in the corporate name of the Synod and to reduce and have executed the bond of said Treasurer in such amount as in their judgment will protect the interests of the Seminary Fund, and that in the event of Mr Dingle declining to take said office, that said Committee have power to receive and hold securities until next annual convention of this Synod.

Rev. L. K. Probst was re-elected Treasurer of Children's Missionary Society.

Rev. S. S. Rahn, with Rev. B. Kreps alternate, was elected Corresponding Delegate to the approaching meeting of Tennessee Synod.

The following was adopted:

#### The Tomb of Dr. E. L. Hazelius.

Resolved, 1, That Synod adopt some action that will protect the tombe of Dr. E. L. Hazelius: 1st, by taking steps to procure recognition in title to the adjoining lands of a reservation of 20 feet square, excepted in former title: 2d, by appointing a committee to raise funds for constructing around it an iron fence.

Resolved, 2. That the officers of Synod, with Messrs. C. M. Efird and J. B. Wingard, be constituted a Committee on temb of Dr. E. L. Hazilius with power to act.

Rev. S. T. Hallman was elected Corresponding Delegate to North Carolina Synod. Rev. J. Q. Wertz, alternate.

Rev. C. P. Boozer was elected Corresponding Delegate to Georgia Synod. Rev. M. O. J. Kreps, alternate.

Resolved, That we recognize the Lutheran Visitor as an able and efficient organ of the Southern churches and earnestly recommend it to our people. A copy of the Visitor should reach every family in the bounds of Synod.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be returned to Mr. S. T. Riser for his full and interesting reports in the Columbia Daily Register, and extend thanks to the Register for its generous supply of free copies.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be and the same are hereby tendered to the good people of Lexington who have spared no pains to entertain the members of Synod, and especially to the choir of St. Stephen's Church for music furnished for divine services.

The following Executive Committee was elected: Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D. Rev J. A. Sligh, Rev. S. T. Hallman, Rev. A. B. McMackin, Maj, P. E. Wise, D. B. Wheeler, Esq., and A. H. Kohn, Esq.

Tuesday evening before the Full Moon in October, 1886, was fixed as the time for next meeting of Synod. Place left with officers of Synod.

Officers of Synod were charged with the duty of appointing the persons who shall preach the special Sermons during next Convention of this body.

The following was made Article 3 of Chapter V, Constitution of Synod:

Article 3.—An Executive Committee on Missions, Consisting of four elergymen and three laymen, shall be chosen annually to whom all missionary operations shall be entrusted during the interim of Synod.

The report of Committee on Powers of Conferences called up and postponed until next meeting, when the further revision of Constitution is under consideration.

### Missionary Collection at Synod.

The following persons became Annual Members of the Synodical Missionary Society by the payment of the sums opposite their names:

Dr. Gerhard Muller \$1	. 00	Maj. P. E. Wise 1 00
Miss H. L. Muller 1		Rev. J. C. Brodfuehrer 1 00
Miss H. C. Geiger 1	00	J. J. Copeland 1 00
Miss L. P. Baily 1	00	W. W. Houseal 1 00
Helen R. Hawkins 1	00	N. B. Wheeler 1 00
Mrs. J. Hawkins 1		G. P. Griffin 1 00
Miss E. A. Souter 1	00	J. J. Kaminer
Dr. B, K, H, Kreps 1	00	Mrs. J. J. Kaminer 1 00
Mrs. S. O. Kaminer	00	Simeon Corley 1 00
G. D. Rast 1		Mrs. M. A. Corley 1 00
O, L. Strock 1		Mrs, Julia A, Cappelmann 1 00
R. G. Chisolm		Mrs. C. M. Efird 1 00
J. E. Hendrix		Mrs. G. T. Graham 1 00
Mrs, J. E. Hendrix		J. B. O'N. Holloway 1 00
Mrs. Lula B. Wingard 1		W. P. Houseal 1 00
J. B. Wingard		Tyler W. Caughman 1 00
T. J. Hunter		G. H. Rauls 1 00
J. M. Barre		Maj. H. A. Meetze 1 00
J. Bennie Raul 1		Rev. G. W. Holland 1 00
Mrs. M. E. Aull.		rs. A. E. Haltiwanger 1 00
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh 1		Rev. A. B. McMackin 1 00
Mrs. Alice R. Sligh 1		Rev. A. G. Voigt 1 00
Miss Lillie F. Sligh		Rev. A. W. Lindler, 1 00
Mrs. A. W. Lindler 1		Mrs. E. A. Wingard 5 00
M. D. Harman	00	S. P. George 1 00
M. W. Shealy		Rev. D. Kiser 1 00
A. E. Derrick.		Mrs. R. H. Zimmerman 1 00
Mrs. J. W. Sellers		Mrs. Mary B. Haigler 1 00
Mrs. F. E. Keller		Rev. J. H. Wilson 1 00
Rev. J. Q. Wertz.		Mrs. J. H. Wilson 1 00
Mrs. J. Q. Wertz		Mrs. H. P. Bouknight 1 00
Rev. L. E. Busby		Mrs. J. F. Kiser 1 00
Mrs. S. S. Rahn.		Dr. D. L. Booser 1 00
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S. T. HALLMAN,

Secretary of Synod of South Carolina.

Sermon at night by Rey. S. T. Hallman, from John VI: 28, 29.

## MINUTES OF MINISTERIUM.

#### FIRST SESSION.

THURSDAY, Oct. 22, 1885—5 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.

There being no formal business in readiness for the Ministerium, a fraternal colloquium was held, after which the Ministerium adjourned subject to the call of the President.

#### SECOND SESSION.

Monday, Oct. 26, 1885—12.30 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. A. W. Lindler.

An application for admission into this Ministerium was presented, and, after discussion, referred to the following Committee with power to act:

Rev. E. A. Wingard, Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D. and Rev. S. T. Hallman.

The Central Conference made brief report of the matter referred to them at our annual meeting in 1884, and the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the case of Rev. A. W. Lindler be laid on the table for

lack of sufficient evidence.

The Ministerium adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. Steck, D. D.

S. T. HALLMAN, Secretary of Ministerium.

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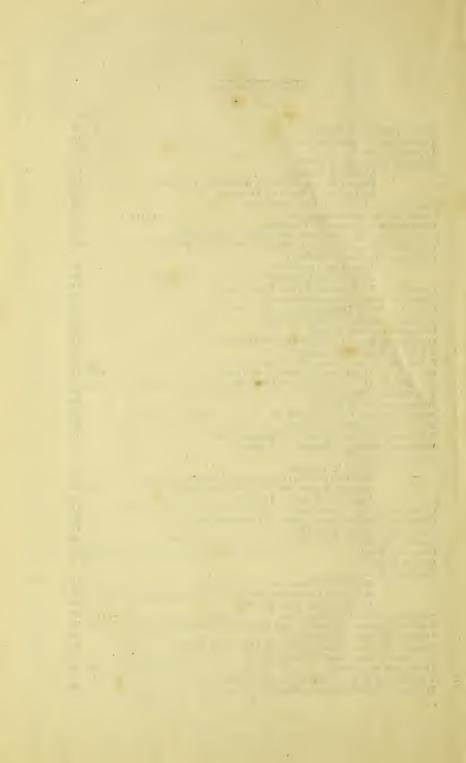
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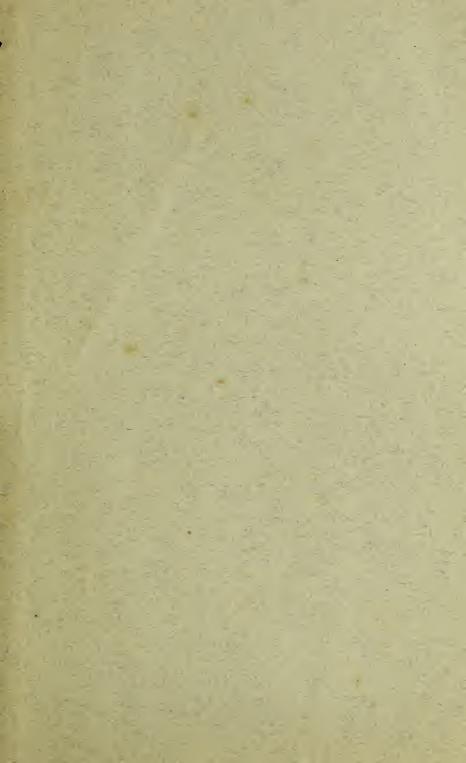
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